



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Wilhelmus G. M. Bruls, et al

Appln. No.: 10/014,801

Filed: December 14, 2001

Title: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF AN IMPACT-RESISTANT POLYMER
COMPOSITION

Confirmation No.: 1643

Group Art Unit: 1711

Examiner: Ana Woodward

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REPLY TO FINAL REJECTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 14, 2003, please enter the following
Remarks and reconsider the propriety of the grounds for rejection.

REMARKS

Withdrawal of the final rejection, favorable reconsideration and allowance of the
present application based on the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-27 remain pending.

The Examiner considers that claims 1-12, 25 and 26 do not comply with the first
paragraph of 35 USC 112, because the subject matter now claimed was not included in the
written description.

Applicants respectfully disagree and traverse this rejection for at least the following
reasons.

The basis for the rejection is that the specification, as originally filed, fails to provide
express support for a process comprising melt mixing a solid polymer A with a **solid**
masterbatch comprising the rubber dispersed in matrix polymer B. The specification is not
considered to disclose that the masterbatch is solidified prior to admixing with the solid
matrix A.